

# *Natural Gardening Day*



*McCormick's Creek State Park  
Saturday, March 18*

*Cost per person is \$10 for the entire day*

*(\$5 for morning sessions only or \$7 for afternoon sessions only)*

*Pre-register by calling the Park Office at 812-829-2235*

## *10:00am Gardening for Wildlife*

*Your yard can be a safe haven for all sorts of animals. Discover what sorts of plants and other features can be provided to attract wildlife to your own backyard. You'll leave this session with lots of information and the start of a wildlife-friendly gardening plan for your own backyard.*



## *11:00am Make a Toad Home and Spider Frame*

*Design a home that will attract toads to a corner of your yard; these amphibians can be a great help in tackling garden pests. Build a spider frame on which a web-weaver can spin; the spider's glistening creation will be the showcase of your garden in the morning.*



## *1:00pm Got Pests? Get Birds!*



*You don't need to cover your yard with chemicals to get rid of pests. Birds can tackle many kinds of insect pests and common weeds. We'll introduce you to birds that can tackle everything from beetles to ragweed. Learn how to attract specific birds to your yard to control specific pests.*

## *2:00pm Make a Garden Stepping Stone*

*Stepping stones are a great way to make your garden unique and expressive.*

*Create the first step of a stylish path through your garden or yard; decorate your stepping stone with natural designs and materials.*

## *3:00pm It's Nice to Be a Native*

*Some of the biggest threats to our natural areas are non-native, invasive plants that have escaped from cultivation. Learn to be a nature steward by instead selecting native plants for your garden. This session will introduce you to native alternatives for garden plants, give you tips on where to legally procure them, and provide information on eliminating non-native, invasive plants from your yard.*

